

# **Kentucky Rural Water Association**

Helping water and wastewater utilities help themselves

September 27, 2011

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Mr. Jeff Derouen, Executive Director Public Service Commission P. O. Box 615 Frankfort, KY 40602-0615

Dear Mr. Derouen:

Kentucky Rural Water Association will host three (3) regional meetings during the month of October, 2011. We respectfully request that this training be approved for commissioners as referenced in regulation 807 KAR 5:070.

Please find enclosed a training summary for these meetings which includes a timed agenda, description of the sessions and a biography for the speaker. These courses have been approved by the Kentucky Board of Certification of Water Treatment and Distribution System Operators. A copy of their approval notification is enclosed.

With this letter and enclosures, Kentucky Rural Water Association is requesting the approval of two (2) hours per session for commissioner and board member training. If additional information is needed, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Sincerely,

Janet Cole

Education Coordinator

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Enclosures

(Original and 5 packets)

## Kentucky Rural Water Association - Regional Meetings

Course Title: Northeast Regional Meeting

Location: Ponderosa Steak House - Morehead, Kentucky

**Date:** October 18, 2011

Course Title: Western Regional Meeting

Location: Ponderosa Steakhouse, Draffenville, KY

**Date:** October 27, 2011

#### Learning Objectives:

The objective of these sessions is to introduce and explain new technologies that will enhance job performance for water utility personnel.

## **Criteria for Training Credits:**

Following a meal, the training portion of the meeting will be conducted from 6:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. Attendees will be granted credit for actual time attending the training sessions. The maximum number of training credit hours for this meeting will be two (2) hours.

#### 6:30 pm-8:30pm

Session: Meters

Presenter: Rod Atkins: C. I. Thornburg, Inc

This session will provide two (2) hours of training and will focus on the different meter applications and meter maintenance and testing. Topics covered will include:

- 1. Large meter installation
- 2. Large meter maintenance and testing
- 3. New technology in small meters

# **Rodney Adkins**

C. I. Thornburg Company Huntington Branch 4034 Altizer Avenue Huntington, WV 25705

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Rodney Adkins has been employed with the C. I. Thornburg Company since 1990. The C. I. Thornburg Co. has five full service branches to serve the municipal water and wastewater industry in all of West Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee and the Southern part of Ohio will well over 100 employees.

Rodney completed the Sensus Meter School in 1992. In 2006 he received certification as an AutoRead trainer.

Previous utility experience also includes:

1979	Water Plant Manager-Salt Rock Water PSD
1983	Plant Manager and Maintenance Manager
1984	Certified Meter Tester in West Virginia
1987	District General Manager thru 1990

1989-1990 Plant Operator-Kenova

Sponsor: Kentucky Rural Water Association – Regional Meeting

Course Title: Green River Regional Meeting Location: Ryan's Steakhouse, Owensboro KY

**Date:** October 20, 2011

### **Learning Objectives:**

The objective of this session is to introduce and explain water treatment and distribution methods that will assure a quality product and improve operation of water systems. Attendees will learn how to develop and implement procedures to produce and deliver a quality product and maintain compliance with new regulatory requirements.

## **Criteria for Training Credits:**

Following a meal, the training portion of the meeting will be conducted from 12:00 p.m. until 2:00 p.m. Attendees will be granted credit for actual time attending the training sessions. The maximum number of training credit hours for this meeting will be two (2) hours.

# 12:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Session: Common Issues Faced by Water Utilities and How to Deal With Them

Presenter: Dell Harris, Kentucky Rural Water Association

This session will provide two (2) hours of training and will focus on various problems frequently faced by small water utilities and the solution to those problems. Topics covered will include:

- 1. Water loss
- 2. Water meters, how accurate are yours?
- 3. Regulations
- 4. General discussion

#### **Dell R. Harris**

Dell Harris joined the Kentucky Rural Water Association in September 1997 as a Circuit Rider. He began his experience in the water treatment field beginning in 1988, when he became a water treatment plant operator and acquired Kentucky Class IV-A and Class III-D operator licenses while working for the Hardin County Water District #1.

Mr. Harris went to work for the Hardin County Water District #1 in April 1988 and operated the Pirtle Springs and Muldraugh Water Treatment Plants. He was promoted to Supervisor at the Pirtle Springs facility in July 1991 and obtained his Class IV-A license in April 1992. From September 1993 to September 1994, Dell served as Interim General Manager for the water district. He obtained his Class III-D license in April 1997.

Mr. Harris earned an Associate Degree from the Elizabethtown Community College. His studies included Total Quality Management (TQM), Computer Science, and financial management.

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Leonard K. Peters

Secretary

## **ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT CABINET**

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September 21, 2011

Kentucky Rural Water Assoc.

Attn: Janet Cole PO Box 1424

Bowling Green, KY 42102-1424

Agency Interest Number: 108571

RE: Operator Certification Training Approval for Continuing Education Hours

To Whom It May Concern:

Your training request has been received by the Division of Compliance Assistance, Certification and Licensing Branch. Course approvals are reviewed and approved based on core content outlined by the cabinet and the Kentucky Board of Certification of Wastewater System Operators and the Kentucky Board of Certification of Drinking Water Treatment and Distribution System Operators. The core content lists can be located on our Web site, <a href="www.dca.kv.gov/certificaton">www.dca.kv.gov/certificaton</a>.

Your request was reviewed by the Kentucky Board of Certification of Wastewater System Operators and/or the Kentucky Board of Certification of Water Treatment and Distribution System Operators at their most recent board business meeting. This letter serves as notification of the board and/or cabinet determination for continuing education credit.

Course Title	Date	Hours & Type	DCA	Comments
		Approved	Event ID#	
Wastewater Training for Operators	9/28/11	12.0 WW	9856	One time approval
Natural Rural Water Association's 2011 H20-XPO	10/4-6/11	10.0 WW & DW	9848	One time approval
Northeast Regional Meeting	10/18/11	2.0 DW	9847	One time approval
Western Regional Meeting	10/27/11	2.0 DW	9846	One time approval
Green River Regional Meeting	10/20/11	2.0 DW	9858	One time approval

Upon completion of the approved training, the provider shall submit to the cabinet a completed Continuing Education Activity Report form. This form can be located on the program's Web site at <a href="https://www.dca.ky.gov/certification">www.dca.ky.gov/certification</a>. The program will no longer accept rosters that are not submitted on the cabinet's Continuing Education Activity Report form or electronically through the cabinet's Web site. If a continuing education activity report was attached to the training approval request, please be aware that the operators will only receive credit for the number of hours approved by the board(s).

Sincerely,

Lisa Butler

Certification and Licensing Branch